



A three-cornered fight for governor is on in Illinois. Governor Deneen is on the republican ticket, Frank H. Funk on the third party ticket and Judge Edward F. Dunne on the democratic ticket. The prospects for Judge Dunne's election are good.

R. C. Haskins, president of the International Harvester trust, testified at Chicago that the trust sold last year one hundred million dollars' worth of farm implements but only cleared one hundred and fifty thousand dollars as profit.

Another exhibit purported to show that Mr. Perkins was chairman of the corporation finance committee, and that of the six members of the committee four were officers of the steel corporation and members of the steel corporation's finance committee as follows: F. H. Cary, Norman H. Ream, G. F. Baker and Mr. Perkins.

Another exhibit was that of Mr. Perkins, Cyrus H. McCormick and Charles Deering held all the stock of the International Harvester company and the selling company of the International Harvester company of New Jersey.

Monopoly in violation of the Sherman law is the offense which the government is seeking to prove, without giving to George W. Perkins, Cyrus H. McCormick, Charles Deering and other defendants any chance to become immune from possible criminal prosecution.

An Associated Press dispatch reporting the proceedings of the hearing, says: Government attorneys presented what was purported to be an original agreement by which George W. Perkins, Cyrus H. McCormick and Charles Deering formed a "voting trust" which placed them in absolute control of the \$140,000,000

corporation. The agreement, dated August 2, 1902, was for ten years and expired a few weeks ago. It was introduced by the government to show that these three men had turned over to them all the stock so they had the sole voting power of the corporation.

According to the government attorneys, the case is an exact parallel to the "beef trust" suit, and there will be no duplication of the method adopted in that instance which permitted testimony by main defendants and resulted in the celebrated "immunity bath."

Alderman Curran of New York has sued Mayor Gaynor for one hundred thousand dollars libel. Gaynor referred to Curran as a grafter.

The Oregon progressives have nominated A. E. Clark, a Portland lawyer, to succeed Jonathan Bourne as United States senator.

Democratic reports from Pennsylvania continue to improve.

The loss by the horse plague in Kansas is estimated to be about ten million dollars.

An effort will be made in the Nebraska supreme court to prevent the third party from being given a place on the official ticket.

A story of one woman's work is told in an Associated Press dispatch from Chicago in these words: Miss Virginia Brooks, the West Hammond reformer, won a victory when the city council of the suburb at a stormy meeting discharged Chief of Police John Kulczyk. A special committee appointed to investigate charges against the chief of police reported that he had been guilty of neglect of duty in failing to close disorderly resorts, and recommended that he be dismissed.

The vote on the discharge of the official was 9 to 8, Mayor Wozczyspki casting the deciding vote.

The chief of police arose in the meeting and denied he had ever been ordered by the mayor to close the resorts. He said that when he threatened to close the places one of the aldermen interfered.

The mayor called upon another member of the police department to prove that he had ordered the chief to close the resorts, and he corroborated the statement of the city's executive.

A straw vote made by the Cincinnati Enquirer in Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan and Ohio, shows a strong drift to Woodrow Wilson.

A United Press dispatch from Chicago says: Chief of Police McWeeny stationed a man at the Pekin theater on the South side here to prevent the showing of moving pictures of the funeral of Mrs. Etta Duryea Johnson, who shot herself in her husband's cafe recently. Johnson has obtained a temporary injunction restraining the theater from using the pictures and the police censor has also barred them.

A New York dispatch, carried by the Associated Press says: Two witnesses, directors of the Standard Oil company of New York, wanted by counsel for the Waters-Pierce Oil company in defending the action by

Standard Oil interests to obtain control of the company, can not be found. The men are C. M. Higgins and W. R. King, whom Samuel Untermyer, counsel for the Waters-Pierce company, is anxious to examine to determine to what extent the Standard Oil company of New York competes with outer subsidiaries of the dissolved Standard Oil company of New Jersey. Mr. Untermyer contends that the dissolution of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey was a farce, and that no real competition exists.

An Associated Press dispatch from Denver says: A declaration in favor of the recall of the president was made here by Colonel Roosevelt. He proposed that if, as president, he found that his views were in opposition to those of the people he should take the stump in defense of his policies and should quit office if he could not win the support of the electorate. Colonel Roosevelt's declaration was made in reply to a question addressed to him by William J. Bryan in a recent speech at Pueblo, Colo.

"How many terms," Mr. Bryan asked in a list of queries which he said Colonel Roosevelt should answer "may the president of the United States serve?"

Colonel Roosevelt gave his answer in his speech before a crowd which filled the auditorium.

"As far as I am concerned," he said, "I should be glad to have the recall for the president. It is not in the progressive platform, and this is merely an expression of my personal feelings. My own experiences was that I could do nothing as president except when the people were heartily with me. The minute I ceased to have them with me, whether it was my fault or theirs, I ceased to have power. Under such conditions I would prefer to leave the presidency, unless in fair, open fighting on the stump, I could bring people around to my way of thinking. Such a course I think, would be to my advantage and to theirs.

"As to the number of non-consecutive terms a president might have, every argument in favor of any limitation of the terms of the president can refer only to consecutive terms. Any third term talk which refers to non-consecutive terms is an utter absurdity.

"Mr. Bryan professes to believe in the people. It was to the people that I made my appeal, and in the primaries by votes varying from two to one to fifteen to one, the people decided that the talk of a third term in this case was the veriest bugaboo ever held up to frighten political children."

A New York dispatch says: Nathan Straus, brother of Oscar S. Straus, progressive candidate for governor of New York, resigned today as a candidate on the democratic ticket for presidential elector-at-

at-large. In a letter to George M. Palmer, democratic state chairman, Mr. Straus said:

"On account of my brother having unexpectedly been nominated on the progressive ticket, it would not do for my name to appear on another. I trust you will appreciate my position and accept my apologies for any inconvenience that I may be causing."

South Dakota republicans met in state convention and declared for Taft.

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